# Physics of nature - opis przedmiotu

Informacje ogólne	
Nazwa przedmiotu	Physics of nature
Kod przedmiotu	13.2-WF-FizP-PN-S18
Wydział	Wydział Nauk Ścisłych i Przyrodniczych
Kierunek	WFiA - oferta ERASMUS
Profil	•
Rodzaj studiów	Program Erasmus
Semestr rozpoczęcia	semestr zimowy 2023/2024

Informacje o przedmiocie	
Semestr	2
Liczba punktów ECTS do zdobycia	5
Występuje w specjalnościach	Fizyka
Typ przedmiotu	obowiązkowy
Język nauczania	angielski
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Formy zajęć						
Forma zajęć	Liczba godzin w semestrze (stacjonarne)	Liczba godzin w tygodniu (stacjonarne)	Liczba godzin w semestrze (niestacjonarne)	Liczba godzin w tygodniu (niestacjonarne)	Forma zaliczenia	
Ćwiczenia	30	2	-	-	Zaliczenie na ocenę	
Wykład	30	2	-	-	Egzamin	

### Cel przedmiotu

The aim of the course is to show students how physics explains phenomena observed in nature. Students will apply physical laws from different branches of physics to explain various physical and astronomical phenomena. An additional goal is to educate students in the ability to formulate physical problems in the language of mathematics and to apply the mathematical formalisms.

### Wymagania wstępne

Foundations of physics 1-IV, mathematical analysis and linear algebra.

#### Zakres tematyczny

- 1. General ideas of dimensional theory: dimensional and dimensionless quantities, fundamental and derived units of measurement, dimensional formulas, functional relations between physical quantities
- 2. Examples of dimensional theory applications: simple pendulum, fluid motion in pipes, motion of a body in a fluid, steady motion of a solid body in a compressible fluid, unsteady motion of a fluid
- 3. The apparent movement of the Sun on the celestial sphere, ecliptic, seasons, sunrise and sunset, polar day and night
- 4. Motion of Earth: shape, size and mass of Earth, rotational motion, orbital motion, system Earth-Moon, tides
- 5. Description of the movement of heavenly bodies, Kepler's laws, eclipses.
- 6. Basic concepts of fluid mechanics: the control volume, the flow of physical quantity, the rate of accumulation of physical quantity. Fluid properties: density, equation of state, thermal expansion, specific heat.
- 7. The law of conservation the physical quantity for an infinitesimal fluid volume and its applications: the mass continuity equation, the equation of conservation of momentum with the various forces (pressure force, gravity, friction, Coriolis), Boussinesq approximation, the Venturi effect).
- 8. Similarity criteria (Buckingham theorem ( Pi theorem)), criteria of similarity, numbers: Strouhal, Froude, Richardson, Reynolds, Rossby'ego, Peclet, Euler.
- 9. Wave phenomena: surface gravity waves: limiting cases: waves in deep water, waves in shallow water, seiches, internal gravity waves, internal waves in lakes, the propagation of wave energy in motion.
- 10. Solar spectrum, radiative transfer, blackbody radiation, radiative properties of non-black materials, scattering by air molecules and particles, absorption and emission by gas molecules, optical phenomena
- 11. Cloud microphysics: water vapor condensation, clouds, growth of cloud droplets, freezing, nucleation of ice particles; growth of ice particles in clouds; thunderstorm electrification

- 12. Atmospheric dynamics: acting forces: centrifugal and Coriolis forces, gravity, the pressure gradient and frictional force, geostrophic, gradient thermal winds, primitive equations of of large-scale atmospheric motions, their solutions and applications, weather, numerical weather prediction
- 13. Global climate, energy bilans, atmosphere models, elements of climate and weather, changing of climate

## Metody kształcenia

Traditional lecture, conversational and with discussion of certain problems

Class during which students, leaded by the teacher, solve exercises and discuss problems. Students also prepare a 45-minute presentations on particular problems of environment physics, present them, answer questions, listen to presentations of colleagues and ask them questions.

## Efekty uczenia się i metody weryfikacji osiągania efektów uczenia się

Opis efektu	Symbole efektów	Metody weryfikacji	Forma zajęć
Student can find on their own various teaching materials in Polish and English and develop their skills on the environmental physics.		<ul><li>egzamin - ustny, opisowy, testowy i inne</li><li>kolokwium</li></ul>	<ul><li>Wykład</li><li>Ćwiczenia</li></ul>
Student can develop a specific problem related to the selected phenomena in nature on the base of the knownn mechanisms. Student applies taught knowledge, in particular the conservation laws to explain the phenomena of fluid and atmospheric dynamics of the surrounding world		<ul><li>dyskusja</li><li>egzamin - ustny, opisowy, testowy i inne</li><li>kolokwium</li></ul>	<ul><li>Wykład</li><li>Ćwiczenia</li></ul>
Student is aware of his knowledge and skills as well as knows opportunities for further training of environmental physics		• dyskusja	<ul><li>Wykład</li><li>Ćwiczenia</li></ul>
Student knows and understands the selected topics of classical and contemporary physics that allows to understand the physical phenomena of the surrounding world. In particular student is familiar with selected topics of astronomy, physics of atmosphere and fluid		<ul> <li>aktywność w trakcie zajęć</li> <li>egzamin - ustny, opisowy, testowy i inne</li> <li>kolokwium</li> </ul>	• Wykład • Ćwiczenia
The student can prepare a presentation on a given topic related to particular problems of environment physics, and present it to using simple language		• prezentacja	• Ćwiczenia

#### Warunki zaliczenia

#### Class

The final grade of the class is issued on the basis of points obtained from two written tests (with tasks of varying degrees of difficulty, allowing to check whether the student has achieved the effects of learning) and give the oral presentation on a given topic related to particular problems of environment physics.

#### Lecture.

The necessary condition of accede to the final written exam of the lecture is a positive evaluation of the class. The exam consists of theoretical questions and short exercises to be solved and verifies the effects of learning in the areas of knowledge and skills. Obtaining 50% of points guarantees a positive grade.

The final grade is the arithmetic mean of those of the class and the exam.

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- 10. Materials provided by a lecturer

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# Uwagi

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